from the Government of Kerala to increase the rice allocation;

(b) if so, the action taken thereon; and

(c) the rice allotted to Kerala during the last six months and the quantity lifted by the State during that period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) and (b) In response to the State Government's request, the allocation of rice from the Central Pool for the Public Distribution System to Kerala in December, 91 which was reduced to 1.35 lakh tonnes was restored to 1.50 lakh tonnes in December, '91 itself and the allocation has been maintained at this level in the subsequent months.

(c) The required information is given below :—

('000 tonnes)

Month	Allotment	Offtake
September, 91	150.0	135.6
October, 91	150.0	146.6
November, 91	150.0	155.7
December, 91	150.0	149.5
January, 92	150.0	146.0
Ferbuary, 92	150·0	N.A.*

*N.A.—Not Yet Available.

Stock of Wheat with Government

@@2541. SHRI YASHWANT SINHA: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) the present stock of wheat with Government;

(b) the stock of wheat last year on the same date;

(c) whether Government are planning to import one million tonnes of wheat; and

(d) whether Government are also allowing export of one million tonnes of wheat?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) and (b) The estimated stocks of wheat in the Central Pool were 42.04 lakh tonnes as on 1st February, 1992 as against 80.72 lakh tonnes as on 1st February, 1991.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) It was decided in January, 1992 that no further exports of wheat may be undertaken beyond the firm contractual obligations already entered into by the State Trading Corporation and M.M.T.C.

Procurement of Paddy and Rice

@@@2542. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) the relaxations allowed in regard to procurement of paddy and

@@@@Previously Unstarred question 1208, transferred from the 5th March, 1992.

@@@Previously Unstarred Question 1207, transferred from the 5th March 1992.